IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Roback, et al.

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Immunological Assay System and Method)

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Sir:

For:

The outstanding final Office Action mailed *July 27, 2004* (Paper No. 20040723) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 1 and 25 are amended and claim 11 is canceled. Claims 1-9 and 12-28 are now pending in the present application and claims 12-24 remain withdrawn. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

SECOND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (WITH AMENDMENTS)

## **AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT**

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.